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In the Name of GOD, Amen.

I THOMAS GUY, of the Parish of St. Mary Woolnoth in London, Esquire, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, considering the uncertainty of life, do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following; that is to say.

First, I commit my Soul to Almighty God, in hopes, through his mercy, and the merits of my Saviour

viour *Jesus Christ*, to enjoy eternal rest ; and my body I commit to the earth, to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors, herein after named : and, as for such temporal estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with, I give and dispose thereof as followeth.

Imprimis, I will that all my debts and funeral charges be first paid and discharged.

Item, I give and devise unto my cousin *George Orton*, son of my cousin *Mary Orton* deceased, his heirs and assigns for ever, to his and their use, all those my messuages, lands, tenements, and hereditaments in *Tamworth* and *Wiggington*, in the County of *Stafford*, or elsewhere, which I purchased of *Archdale Palmer* and *Anne* his wife.

Item, I give, devise, and bequeath, unto my cousin *John Voughton*, grandson of my uncle *John Voughton*, all that messuage, burghage, or tenement, lands and hereditaments in *Tamworth* and *Wiggington*, in the county

county of *Stafford*, or elsewhere, which I purchased of his father *John Voughton*, to hold unto my said cousin *John Voughton*, his heirs and assigns for ever, to his and their use.

Item, All the rest and residue of my lands, tenements, and hereditaments, and real estate whatsoever in the counties of *Stafford*, *Warwick*, and *Derby*, or any of them, other than and except the Alms-Houses and Library, with their appurtenances herein-after mentioned and devised; I give and devise unto, and between *Elizabeth Hurt*, and *John Hurt*, the grandchildren of my late sister *Anne Varnam*, their heirs and assigns for ever, to hold as tenants in common, and not as joint-tenants.

Item, I give and bequeath to *Thomas Hurt*, one of the grandchildren of my late sister *Anne Varnam*, during his natural life, one annuity, or yearly sum of one hundred and sixty pounds, which, with forty pounds *per annum* I am already bound to pay, makes up two hun-

dred pounds *per annum*, to be paid by equal quarterly payments, and to commence from my decease.

Item, I give unto my cousin *John Voughton*, son and heir of my said uncle *John Voughton* deceased, during his natural life, one annuity or yearly sum of thirty pounds, to be paid by equal half-yearly payments, to commence from the end of three kalendar months next after my decease, over and above the sum of twenty pounds *per annum*, which I am obliged to pay him by my bond; and also, I do forgive and remit unto him all monies that he doth or shall owe me at the time of my decease, as heir or executor of his said late father, or otherwise howsoever.

Item, I give and bequeath unto *Thomas Voughton*, *Humphry Voughton*, and *Martha Voughton*, children of my said cousin *John Voughton*, one thousand pounds a-piece, interest or share in the capital stock, erected in lieu of debentures, made forth for the debt due to the army, by an Act of Parliament passed in the fourth
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year of the Reign of His Majesty King *GEORGE*, and attended with annuities, after the rate of four pounds *per centum per annum*.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my cousin *John Weetman*, the father, in the county of *Stafford*, yeoman, son of my aunt *Weetman*, during his natural life, one annuity, or yearly sum of fifty pounds *sterling*, to be paid by equal half-yearly payments, to commence from the time of my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath unto *Benedicta, William, Mary, Eleanor, Elizabeth, Sarah*, and *John*, children of my said cousin *John Weetman*, one thousand pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath to my cousin *Anne Woodcock*, daughter of my said aunt *Weetman*, during her natural life, one annuity, or yearly sum of fifty pounds *sterling*, to be paid by equal half-yearly payments, to commence from my decease.

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Item, I give unto John Moor, William Moor, Thomas Moor, Josias Moor, and Abigail Woodcock, children of my said cousin Anne Woodcock, one thousand pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto William, John, Thomas, Clement, Mary, Anne, and Joseph, the children of Thomas Weetman deceased, six hundred pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto Mary, Elizabeth, and Thomas Blood, children of Thomas Blood deceased, one of the sons of my aunt Blood, one thousand pounds a-piece, interest, or share of the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto John, Thomas, Benjamin, and Samuel Mously, children of my cousin Elizabeth

zabeth Shepard deceased, by her former husband, one thousand pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto *Richard, John, and William Hudson*, the children of *John Hudson* lighterman, deceased, and grand-children to my aunt *Hudson* deceased, one thousand pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give unto the widow of the said *John Hudson* deceased, during her natural life, one annuity of ten pounds *sterling*, to be paid her by equal half-yearly payments, and to commence from my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to *Mary Hill*, one other of the children of the said *John Hudson*, one annuity or yearly sum of twenty pounds *sterling*, to be paid by equal half-yearly payments,

payments, during her natural life : and to *James, Charles, and Sarah Hill*, children of the said *Mary Hill*, I give and bequeath three hundred pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my cousin *John Blood* yeoman, living in or near *Tamworth*, son of my aunt *Johanna Blood*, during his natural life, one annuity, or yearly sum of fifty pounds *sterling*, to be paid by equal half-yearly payments, to commence from my decease.

Item, I give unto *Sarah, Robert, Richard, Anne, John, and Johanna Blood*, children of the said *John Blood*, one thousand pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto the widow of *Thomas Voughton* deceased, son of my uncle *John Voughton*, one annuity, or yearly sum of
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ten pounds, to be paid during her natural life, by equal half-yearly payments, to commence from my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath unto the children of the said *Thomas Voughton*, viz. *John, Timothy, Abigail, Mary, George, Sarah, Jonathan, Anne,* and *Benjamin*, one thousand pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto the children of my cousin *Mary Orton* deceased, viz. *Anne, Mary, Sarah,* and *Elizabeth Orton*, one thousand pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto *John Cheatly*, and *Mary Cheatly*, the children of *Mary Cheatly* deceased, who was daughter of my aunt *Weetman*, one thousand pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

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Item, To William Cheatly, husband of the said Mary Cheatly deceased, I give and bequeath, during his natural life, one annuity, or yearly sum of ten pounds sterling, to be paid him by equal half-yearly payments, and to commence from my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath unto Benedicta Cheatly, another daughter of my aforesaid aunt Weetman, and now wife of John Cheatly, near Tamworth in the aforesaid county of Stafford yeoman, during her natural life, one annuity or yearly sum of fifty pounds sterling, to be paid her by equal half-yearly payments, to commence from my decease.

Item, I give unto the children of the said Benedicta Cheatly, viz. Lettice, Dorothy, Anne, John, William, and Mary Cheatly, one thousand pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item,

Item, I give unto my cousin *Joseph Blood*, in or near *Tamworth* aforesaid, clothier, one other of the sons of my said aunt *Blood*, one thousand pounds, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto the children of *Anne Harding* deceas'd, who was daughter of my said aunt *Blood*, viz. *Anne* and *William*, one thousand pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give to *Mary Alcock*, wife of *Arthur Alcock* clothier, another daughter of my said aunt *Blood*, during her natural life, one annuity, or yearly sum of fifty pounds sterling, to be paid by equal half-yearly payments, to commence from my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath unto *Johanna*, *Anne*, and *Sarah*, the children of the said *Mary Alcock*, one thousand pounds a-piece, interest,
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or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto *Johanna Mitchell*, wife of *Benjamin Mitchell*, one other of the daughters of my aforesaid aunt *Blood*, during her natural life, one annuity or yearly sum of fifty pounds *sterling*, to be paid by equal half-yearly payments, to commence from my decease.

Item, I give unto her son *Joseph Mitchell*, and to her daughters *Elizabeth* and *Mary Mitchell*, one thousand pounds a-piece, interest or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto *Joseph Osborn*, son of my aunt *Osborn*, during his natural life, one annuity or yearly sum of fifty pounds *sterling*, to be paid by equal half-yearly payments, to commence from my decease.

Item, I give unto *Sarah* and *Anne*, daughters of the said *Joseph Osborn*,
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one thousand pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give unto the two children, who are now living, of *Elizabeth*, another daughter of the said *Joseph Osborn*, five hundred pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto *John Wood* currier, and *Thomas Wood* hard-ware-man, both of *Birmingham*, and grandchildren of *Christopher Wood*, two hundred and fifty pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath to *Anne Cawn* widow, and late wife of *Robert Cawn* deceased, during her natural life, one annuity or yearly sum of twenty pounds *sterling*, to be paid her by equal half-yearly payments, to commence from my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath to *William Cawn* tallow-chandler, son of the said *Anne Cawn*, two hundred and fifty pounds, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto *Sarah Coleman*, *Elizabeth Silvester* widow, *Anne Shaw* widow, *Martha Lawson* now wife of *Lawson*, and *Margaret Alcock*, children of *Thomas Alcock*, late of *Tamworth* clothier, deceased, two hundred and fifty pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, To *Mary Alcock*, one other of the children of the said *Thomas Alcock*, I give and bequeath one annuity, or yearly sum of twenty pounds *sterling*, to be paid her by equal half-yearly payments, during her natural life, and to commence from my decease.

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Item, I give and bequeath to each of the children of *Jane Bayley* deceased, and of *Mary Styleman* deceased, daughters of my late uncle *Henry Voughton*, five hundred pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto *Margaret Guy*, and *Samuel Guy*, the children of *Samuel Guy*, late of *Egham* in the County of *Surrey*, deceased, five hundred pounds a-piece, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath unto *Anne Jenkyns*, daughter of *Thomas Hudson* deceased, one annuity, or yearly sum of one hundred pounds sterling, to be paid her by half-yearly payments, during her natural life, and to commence from my decease.

Item, To the widow of *Thomas Hudson* deceased, I give one annuity.

ity, or yearly sum of ten pounds *sterling*, to be paid her by equal half-yearly payments, during her natural life, and to commence from my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath unto *John Morling*, son of *Elizabeth Morling*, late of *Oakingham* widow, deceased, five hundred pounds interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

Item, I give and bequeath to *Jane Whittaker* widow, and one of the daughters of my late aunt *Hudson*, during her natural life, one annuity, or yearly sum of fifty pounds *sterling*, to be paid her by equal half-yearly payments, to commence from my decease.

Item, I give and bequeath unto *Anne Rowney*, daughter to the aforesaid *Anne Cawn*, during her natural life, one annuity, or yearly sum of twenty pounds, to be paid her by equal half-yearly payments, to commence from my decease.

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Item, I give and bequeath unto *Thomas Batman* clothier, son of *Joseph Batman* deceased, one hundred and fifty pounds, interest, or share in the said stock, erected in lieu of debentures, as aforesaid.

And my will is, and I do hereby direct and appoint, that the said several annuities, or yearly sums hereby before bequeathed, be paid from time to time by my Executors herein after named, or by the Corporation herein after mentioned and intended, when the same shall be obtained and take effect, or their Treasurer for the time being, out of the residue of my estate herein after devised, or the interest, dividends, rents, or other profits thereof, during the several lives for which they are made respectively payable, as aforesaid.

And as for and concerning as well the said several annuities for life, as the several shares in the said stock, erected as aforesaid, in this my Will given to the said *Anne Woodcock*,

Mary Hill, Benedicta Cheatly wife of *John Cheatly*, *Mary Alcock* wife of *Arthur Alcock*, *Johanna* wife of *Benjamin Mitchell*, *Anne Rowny*, *Martha Lawson*, *Margaret Guy*, and *Anne Jenkyns*; I do hereby order, that the said annuities, and stock so given to them respectively as aforesaid, shall be paid or assigned to their own proper hands, or order, respectively, and for their own separate use and benefit, whether sole or covert; and that their respective receipts alone shall be sufficient discharges for the same, notwithstanding their or any of their covertures.

And my mind and will is, That the said several sums or parcels of stock, herein before bequeathed to my several legatees above named, who at my decease shall be under age, and unmarried, shall not be paid or payable, or transferred or to be transferred by my said Executors, or the said intended Corporation, until they shall arrive respectively, the men to the age of twenty-one years, and the women to such age of

of twenty-one years or their day of marriage, and which of them shall first happen; and that during such the infancy or single state of my said legatees respectively, my will is, that my Executors herein after named, or the said herein after mentioned and intended Corporation, or their Treasurer for the time being, allow for the maintenance and education of my said several legatees, the interest, dividends, and produce of the stock to them respectively given, and also shall allow out of the respective legacies or stock of such as shall want to be put forth apprentices, such sums of money as my said Executors, or the said intended Corporation, or their Treasurer, shall think fit; which said several allowances and sums of money shall be paid to the fathers, mothers, guardians or masters of such legatees respectively, and their receipts respectively shall be sufficient discharges for the same.

And my mind and will is, that the several legacies, share or shares of stock, or so much thereof as

shall not have been applied to the uses last above mentioned, of such of my above mentioned legatees as shall depart this life before they shall arrive respectively to their age of twenty-one years, or be married as aforesaid, shall from and after, and in case of their decease as aforesaid, go to, and be deemed part of the residuary part of my estate herein after devised, and shall by my said Executors be applied or assigned to and for such uses, intents, and purposes, as are in this my last Will directed and appointed, in respect of the said residuary part of my estate.

Item, I give and bequeath unto Charles Joye, John Kenrick, and John Lade, Esquires; Mr. Thomas Dance, Mr. John Sprint, and Mr. John Osborn, the sum of one thousand pounds *sterling*, upon this special trust and confidence, that they or the survivors or survivor of them shall within twelve months after my decease, or sooner, if it may be, dispose and disburse the same, for the releasing and discharging

charging of poor prisoners for debt; out of any prisons within the city of *London*, or counties of *Middlesex* and *Surry*, not exceeding the sum of five pounds for the discharge of any one person.

Item, I give to the President and Governors of *Christ's-Hospital*, in *London*, and their Successors for ever, one annuity, or yearly sum of four hundred pounds, to be paid by my said Executors, till such intended Corporation shall be obtained and take effect; and then by such intended Corporation, or their Treasurer for the time being: provided nevertheless, and upon this condition, that my said Executors, and such intended Corporation and their Successors, shall have liberty, from time to time, to nominate and put into *Christ's-Hospital* aforesaid, yearly and every year for ever, at *Easter*, or within six months after, such four poor children, boys or girls, whether orphans or otherwise, or the children of freemen of the city of *London*, or unfreemen, not less than seven, or more than ten years of
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age, as my said Executors, or the said intended Corporation, and their successors, shall think fit, with preference to my relations, as often as any such shall offer themselves; who shall be received into the said Hospital, and have the maintenance and education thereof, and be continued therein in like manner as other children are maintained and educated in the said Hospital. And my Will is, that in case, and as often as the said President and Governors of *Christ-Church-Hospital*, shall neglect or refuse to take in and maintain the said number of boys and girls to them nominated and qualified as aforesaid, it shall be lawful to my said Executors, and the said intended Corporation, and they are hereby directed and desired to apply the said annual sum of four hundred pounds to the education and maintenance of such four poor children as aforesaid, in such other school or place, and in such other manner as they shall think fit.

And whereas the Masters, Keepers, Wardens, and Commonalty, of the art or mystery of Stationers
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of the city of *London*, are, in and by one bond or obligation, under their Common Seal, bearing date on or about the third day of *February*, *anno dom.* 1717, become bound unto the Governors of the Hospital of *St. Thomas the Apostle* in *Southwark*, in the county of *Surry*, in the penal sum of five thousand five hundred pounds, conditioned for the payment of one hundred and twenty-five pounds, by them and their successors for ever, by half-yearly payments, free from all manner of deductions whatsoever, in manner following, *viz.*

To me the said *Thomas Guy*, during my natural life, and from and after my decease to such person and persons, uses, intents, and purposes, as I, by my last Will and Testament in writing, or any other writings under my Hand and Seal, subscribed in the presence of three or more credible witnesses, should declare, limit, and appoint, as in and by the said obligation and condition, relation being thereunto had, may more fully and at large appear :

Now

Now I give and devise unto *John Cheatly* and *John Blood* yeomen; *Joseph Blood* and *Arthur Alcock* clothiers; *Thomas Orton* yeoman; *John Radford*, *Robert Blood*, and the said *John Osborn*, citizen, and stationer of *London*, all that my Alms-House or building, containing sixteen rooms, fourteen of which said rooms are now used and employed for the habitation of fourteen poor men and women, and the other two rooms being laid together, are used for a Library, with the House-of-Office, Gardens, and Appurtenances thereto belonging, situate, lying, and being partly in *Gumgate-street* and partly in *School-house-lane* in *Tamworth*, in the county of *Warwick*, to hold to them the said *John Cheatly*, *John Blood*, *Joseph Blood*, *Arthur Alcock*, *Thomas Orton*, *John Radford*, *Robert Blood*, and *John Osborn*, their heirs and assigns for ever, in trust, nevertheless, and to and for the uses, intents, and purposes herein after mentioned; that is to say, that my said trustees, and the survivors of them, and such others

others as shall succeed and be chosen in their room or place, by virtue of the clauses herein after in that behalf mentioned, or the major part of them, shall and do, from time to time, admit and place in the said rooms, Fourteen poor Persons, men or women, inhabitants of the towns, villages, or parishes of *Wincoate, Glascoate, Bole-hall-Street, Amming-ton, Wiggington, and Hoppus*, or any of them; my poor relations being first to be admitted, in case any such shall offer themselves, whom they shall think proper objects of such charity; and as often as any of them shall die, to place others in their stead. And in case any such of the said poor persons shall misbehave themselves, my said trustees for the time being, or the major part of them, shall, from time to time, displace such, and put others in their stead, as they shall think fit. And that the two rooms, above mentioned, to be used for a Library, shall continue to be so used; or for such other uses, for the better accommodation of the persons that shall dwell in the said Fourteen Rooms,

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as the said trustees for the time being, or the major part of them, shall think fit.

And my mind and will is, that when and so often as any of the said trustees shall happen to die, the survivors of them shall choose in another person to succeed and be a trustee; who shall act with them, in all respects, as if he had been particularly named with the other trustees in this my Will.

And to prevent the legal interest of the said last mentioned premises from going to the heir of a surviving trustee, it is my mind and will, that as often as my present or future trustees, in whom the legal estates of the same premises shall rest, shall be by death reduced to Two; that such Two, or the Survivor of them, shall forthwith convey the same premises to such other trustees and their heirs, upon the trust aforesaid, as my then acting trustees or the major part of them shall think fit or direct. And I do hereby order, limit, declare, and appoint,

point, that the said yearly sum of one hundred and twenty-five pounds, be paid by the Masters and Keepers, or Wardens and Commonalty of Stationers above mentioned, and their successors, by half-yearly payments, at the feast day of Saint *John* the Baptist, and the Birth of our Lord God, in every year for ever, to my said Executors, until such intended Corporation, as aforesaid, shall be obtained and take effect ; and then to such intended Corporation, and their successors ; to the intent that my said Executors, or the said intended Corporation, and their successors, do and may thereout pay the sum of one hundred and fifteen pounds *per annum*, part thereof, by like half-yearly payments unto the said *John Cheatly, John Blood, Joseph Blood, Arthur Alcock, Thomas Orton, John Radford, Robert Blood, and John Osborn*, and the survivors of them, and such as shall succeed them, as aforesaid for ever, in trust, and to and for the uses, intents, and purposes, herein after mentioned ; that is to say, in respect of eighty pounds *per annum*, part of the said

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yearly sum of one hundred and fifteen pounds, upon trust, and to the intent that they do, and shall pay thereout, unto each of the said fourteen poor people, and such others as shall from time to time be chosen in their stead, the sum of two shillings *per* week, for their maintenance; and what shall be remaining of the said eighty pounds *per annum*, over and above such weekly payments, shall be expended and applied by my said trustees, for reparation of the said Alms-houses and premises; and for such other uses relating thereto as my said trustees, or the major part of them, shall from time to time think fit and appoint.

And for and in respect of the sum of thirty-five pounds, remainder of the said yearly sum of one hundred and fifteen pounds, upon trust, and to the intent that my said last mentioned trustees, and such as shall succeed them, as aforesaid, for ever, shall and do apply the same to the putting out children apprentice, nursing, or such like charitable deed, of four, six, or eight such poor persons

persons of the family of the *Vough-*
tons, or *Woods*, or proceeding there-
 from, as they shall think fit. And if
 none, or not sufficient of such can be
 found, then of such other person or
 persons, as they shall find to be
 proper objects of charity.

And for and in respect of ten
 pounds *per annum*, the remainder
 of the said sum of one hundred
 and twenty-five pounds *per annum*,
 afore mentioned, my Will is, that
 my said Executors, and such intended
 Corporation, and their successors,
 shall, and do pay the same, from
 time to time, by like half-yearly
 payments, for ever, unto *Joseph*
Hughes of *Oakingham*, in the county
 of *Berks*, gentleman, *Abraham Chitty*
 citizen and cooper of *London*,
Josias Chitty citizen and grocer
 of *London*, *Joseph Chitty* of *Lon-*
don, merchant, and the said *John*
Osborn, and such others as shall from
 time to time be elected and chosen
 in their room and stead, as any of
 them die, in like manner as is above
 mentioned concerning the trust of
 the aforesaid Alms-house, for ever, in
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trust, that they apply the same to the putting out of children apprentice, nursing, or such like charitable deeds, of two or more such poor persons, of the family of the *Guys*, or proceeding therefrom, as they shall think fit : and if no such can be found, then of such other Person or persons as they shall find to be proper objects of charity.

Item, I give and bequeath unto *Charles Joye, John Lade, John Kenrick*, Esquires ; *Mr. John Darby, Mr. Thomas Dance, Mr. John Sprint, and Mr. John Osborn*, the sum of one thousand pounds *sterling* ; two hundred pounds, part of which shall be paid unto them, or to such person or persons as they or the major part of them shall appoint, by writing under their hands, at the end of three months next after my decease, and so from time to time, at the end of every three months, until the said sum of one thousand pounds be fully paid, in trust, that they, the survivors or survivor of them, shall, and do, from time to time, distribute the same for the relief

lief and maintenance of such poor people, being housekeepers, as in their judgment shall be thought convenient; and my mind and will is, that my said last mentioned trustees shall not be accountable to my Executors for the same, and shall be allowed their charges in the execution of the same trust, out of the monies to be paid to them, from time to time as aforesaid.

Item, I give to the said *John Osborn* stationer, the sum of one hundred pounds, desiring him to assist my Executors in the execution of this my Will.

Item, I give to *Anne Gorton*, servant of Mr. *Osborn*, the sum of fifty pounds, if she be living in the house with me at the time of my decease.

Item, To my said herein after named Executors for mourning, I give and bequeath the sum of twenty guineas a-piece. All the rest and residue of my estate, whatsoever, and wheresoever, both real and perso-

nal, after the payment of my debts, legacies, and funeral charges, as aforesaid, and subject to the payment of the said several annuities and yearly sums, herein before bequeathed; I give, bequeath, and devise unto Sir *Gregory Page* Baronet, *Charles Joye* Esquire, Treasurer of the present Hospital of Saint *Thomas*, *William Clayton* of *Marden* in the county of *Surrey*, Esquire, Mr. *Thomas Hollis* senior, *John Kenrick* and *John Lade* Esquires, and Governors of the present Hospital of Saint *Thomas*; Doctor *Richard Mead*, *Moses Raper* Esquire, and Mr. *John Sprint*, Governors likewise of the same present Hospital, their heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, respectively upon the trust, and for such uses, intents, and purposes, as are hereinafter, by this my Will, directed and appointed: and I do hereby likewise, ordain, constitute, and appoint the said Sir *Gregory Page* Baronet, *Charles Joye* and *William Clayton* Esquires, Mr. *Thomas Hollis* Senior, *John Kenrick* and *John Lade* Esquires, Doctor *Richard Mead*, *Moses Raper* Esquire, and Mr. *John Sprint*,

Sprint, Executors of this my said last Will, on Trust, as aforesaid.

And my mind and will is, that until such incorporation, by letters patent, or Act of Parliament, as herein after directed, can be obtained and take effect, they my said Executors and last mentioned Trustees, their heirs, executors, administrators and Assigns; and afterwards such Corporation shall and do, out of the *Residuum* of my Estate, or the rents, interest, or other profits thereof, carry on, erect, finish, and fit up the two new Squares of Building in *Southwark*, by me some time since began and intended for an Hospital, for the reception of such sick Persons as are herein after mentioned; and such other erections, offices, and Buildings, as shall, in the opinion of my said Executors and Trustees, be for that purpose further necessary; and also provide and furnish the same with beds and all other conveniences for the reception of, and receive and entertain therein, four hundred poor persons or upwards, labouring under any distempers, infirmities

firmities or disorders thought capable of relief by Physic or Surgery; but who by reason of the small hopes there may be of their cure, or the length of time which for that purpose may be required or thought necessary, are or may be adjudged or called Incurable, and as such, not proper objects to be received into or continued in the present Hospital of *St. Thomas*, or other Hospitals, in and by which no provision has been made for distempers deemed or called Incurable: of whom my mind is, that they receive and entertain Lunaticks, adjudged or called, as aforesaid, Incurable, not exceeding Twenty in number at one time; such poor persons to be chosen and appointed by my said Executors and Trustees out of such patients and persons who shall be discharged out of the Hospital of *St. Thomas*, or *Bethlehem*, or other Hospitals, on account of the small hopes of their cure, or the great length of time for that purpose required or thought necessary, and on such or any other account, adjudged and called Incurable, and
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not fit to be continued in the said Hospital of *St. Thomas*, or *Bethlehem*, or other Hospitals, or such other poor sick persons, or Lunatics, as, under such or the like circumstances, shall apply to my said Executors and Trustees for relief, at the discretion and pleasure of my said Executors and Trustees to whom I submit the several species or kinds of sick persons deemed or called Incurables, who shall be admitted into the said intended Hospital; and that my said Executors and Trustees shall and do provide suitable and proper diet, Physic, and all other necessities for the maintenance, relief, or cure of such sick persons, during their lives, or for so long time as my said Executors and Trustees shall think fit to continue them under their care in the said intended Hospital.

And my Will is, that such poor sick persons received into and entertained in the said intended Hospital shall be subject, at all times, to my said Executors and Trustees, and to such rules and orders as they shall

think fit to make for their behaviour in the said intended Hospital; and liable to be expelled from thence, and removed at the pleasure of my said Executors and Trustees, and other like sick persons admitted and entertained in their room.

And my mind and will further is, that if my said Executors and Trustees shall not find cause, or shall on any account whatsoever, not think fit to keep all or great part of the beds or wards in the said intended Hospital filled and supplied with sick persons deemed or called Incurable, as aforesaid; it shall and may be lawful for them, to cause any number of the said beds or wards to be filled and made use of, in like manner, and with like patients, as the beds in the Hospital of Saint *Thomas* are ordinarily used: for all which patients so to be received and taken in, from time to time, into the said intended Hospital, as incurable or otherwise, my mind and will is, that my said Executors and Trustees should provide in all things, as near as may be, according to the course, customs and usage

usage of late years prevailing and practised in the said present Hospital of *St. Thomas*.

And my mind and will further is, and for the better and more regular disposition and management of the affairs and business of the said intended Hospital, and for perpetuating the Charity hereby intended, and the provision for the same, I do hereby order and appoint, and earnestly desire and intreat my said Executors and Trustees, forthwith after my decease, by humble application to His Majesty, or to the Legislature, to endeavour to obtain Letters Patent under the Great Seal, or an Act of Parliament, incorporating them, my said Executors and last named Trustees, together with Mr. *Benjamin Brain* senior, Mr. *Thomas Clarke*, *William Cole* Esquire, Doctor *Thomas Crow*, Doctor *Francis Fauquier*, Mr. *Joshua Gee*, Mr. *Matthew Howard*, Doctor *Edward Hulse*, Mr. *Samuel Lesingham*, Mr. *Henry Lovell*, Mr. *Samuel Monck*, Mr. *Joseph Paice* senior, Mr. *Daniel Powle*, Mr. *Thomas Stiles* senior; and also *Robert*

bert Atwood, Robert Bristow, Jonathan Blackwell, Esquires; Mr. James Brooke, Deputy Richard Chauncy, Richard Chiswell Esquire, Deputy John Carbonnel, William Dawson, and Richard Du Cane, Esquires; Sir Peter Eaton Knight, Sir Nathaniel Gould Knight; Thomas Gearing and Peter Godfrey Esquires; Mr. John Gunston, Mr Nathaniel Garland, Edmund Halsey Esquire, Mr. Henry Hankey, Mr. Thomas Hucks, Mr. William King, Mr. James Lambe, Mr. James Lever, Mr. Percival Lewis, Captain Daniel Lock; John London, and Thomas Maylin Junior, Esquires; Nathaniel Micklethwaite Esquire; Mr. Samuel Mayo, Mr. Thomas Martin, Mr. Francis Moulst, Mr. Josiah Nicholson, Mr. Nathaniel Newnham, Jeremiah Sambrooke Esquire; Mr. Samuel Sheafe, John Smith Esquire; Sir John Tash Knight, Peter Theobalds Esquire; Mr. James Townsend of Cheapside; the said Gentlemen being all now Governors of the said present Hospital of Saint Thomas; or so many of the said Gentlemen, as shall be living at the Time of procuring such intended Corporation,

poration, and willing to become members thereof: and so many other Gentlemen, Governors, or reputed Governors of the present Hospital of Saint *Thomas*, or others, by my said Executors, or the major part of them, to be appointed, as together with my said Executors, and other the Gentlemen above named, shall make up the number Fifty at the least, and not exceed Sixty, and their successors, in manner by such Letters Patent, or Act of Parliament, directed and expressed, to be from time to time elected and admitted members of such intended Corporation, into one distinct and separate body Politick and Corporate, with perpetual succession, for the better managing and governing of the said intended Hospital; and for the better settling and applying the said residue of my Estate, for such uses as aforesaid, and for such other and further uses as are herein after appointed; with a President and Treasurer, and such other Officers of the said intended Corporation, as by my said Executors shall be thought necessary or convenient, in such Letters Patent,

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or Act of Parliament, to be named and appointed; and in manner therein directed, to be from time to time, for ever, hereafter successively, into such respective offices elected and admitted, by such name or names, as to His Majesty or the Legislature shall seem proper, and by such name or names, to have perpetual succession, with power to have and to use a separate and distinct Common Seal, for the necessary affairs of the said intended Corporation, and with power by such name or names as aforesaid, to have, hold, take, enjoy, alien, transfer, and dispose of the said hereby before devised residuary part of my Estate; and therewith, or with any part thereof, to purchase, take, and enjoy Messuages, Lands, Tenements, Fee-farm Rents, or other Estates of Inheritance, for perpetuity, or otherwise, and to the value of the said residuary part of my Estate, or to such further or other yearly value, as to his said Majesty or the Legislature shall seem convenient, and with power and capacity in law, to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and .

and be answered unto, by such name or names, as aforesaid, in any Court or Courts of Record, and elsewhere, and with such other powers, privileges, and capacities in law, as to His Majesty or the Legislature shall seem meet to be granted. And my Will is, and I further desire my said Executors, and last named Trustees, by such humble application as aforesaid, to His Majesty or the Legislature, to endeavour to obtain and procure, that by such Letters Patent or Act of Parliament, as aforesaid, a Committee be appointed of Twenty-one of the Members of such intended Corporation, for the more constant and ordinary management and application of the said residuary part of my Estate, and of the Charity hereby intended; to which Committee, or to such number of them, as shall be thought convenient, when convened and assembled, by and with the President and Treasurer of the said intended Corporation, or one of them, my will and desire is, that my said Executors and Trustees, by such Letters Patent or Act of Parliament, as aforesaid,

said, endeavour to have granted, and appointed, such powers as may enable them in the most effectual manner to manage, settle, and apply the said residuary part of my Estate, and the rents, interests, dividends, or other profits or produce thereof, to such uses as by this my last Will are directed and appointed; and that by such Letters Patent or Act of Parliament, it may be provided, that Seven of the said Committee of Twenty-one, or One-third part thereof, at the least, may yearly and every year go out of, and be excluded their respective places as members of the said Committee, by the appointment of a general Court or assembly of the Members of the said intended Corporation, to be assembled and convened by the President or Treasurer of such intended Corporation yearly and every year, at a time or times in such Letters Patent or Act of Parliament to be appointed: And that for that purpose, at such General Court or Assembly, as aforesaid, Fourteen of the Members of the said Committee for the year next preceding such General Court
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or assembly be first elected and chosen Members of the said Committee for the year next ensuing ; and Seven other persons out of Fourteen of the Members of the said intended Corporation, who were not Members of the said Committee for the year then next preceding, to be first nominated by the said Committee for the year then next preceding, be, by and at such General Court and assembly, as aforesaid, elected and appointed Members of the said Committee for the year then next ensuing such Election. And that in and by such Letters Patent, or Act of Parliament, it be further provided and appointed, that the management and accounts of the said Committee of Twenty-one be from time to time subject to the approbation or disallowance of a General Court or assembly of the Members or Governors of such intended Corporation, to be from time to time convened and summoned by proper and convenient notice by the President or Treasurer of such intended Corporation for the Time being.

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And my mind and will further is, and I desire my said Executors, by like humble application, as aforesaid, to endeavour to procure and obtain, that by such Letters Patent or Act of Parliament as aforesaid, the said *Sir Gregory Page* Baronet be appointed the first President of the said intended Corporation; and the said *Charles Joye* Esquire, the first Treasurer thereof; and the said *William Clayton* Esquire, *Mr. Thomas Hollis* senior, *John Kenrick* and *John Lade* Esquires, *Doctor Richard Mead*, *Moses Raper* Esquire, and *Mr. John Sprint*, and the said *Mr. Benjamin Brain* senior, *Mr. Thomas Clarke*, *William Cole* Esquire, *Doctor Thomas Crow*, *Doctor Francis Fauquier*, *Mr. Joshua Gee*, *Mr. Matthew Howard*, *Doctor Edward Hulse*, *Mr. Samuel Lesingham*, *Mr. Henry Lovell*, *Mr. Samuel Monck*, *Mr. Joseph Paice*, *Mr. Daniel Powle*, and *Mr. Thomas Stiles*, be appointed the first members of the said herein before mentioned and intended Committee, for the more constant and ordinary management of the said residuary

siduary part of my Estate, and Charity hereby intended; or, in case of the death of any of the said Gentlemen last above named, or their refusal to accept of the respective Trusts hereby intended, as President, Treasurer, or Members of the said Committee, then such other fit and able persons to be named and appointed by my said Executors, to be President, Treasurer, or Members of the said Committee, making up the said number of Twenty-one. And that, by such Letters Patent, or Act of Parliament, as aforesaid, it be provided and granted, that the future elections of the President and Treasurer of the said intended Corporation, and also the election of the Physicians and Surgeons, and of the Register, or Clerk and Solicitor, and of the Chaplain, to be employed in and about the Charity hereby intended, be referred to, and reserved for the Members and Governors of the said intended Corporation, or the major part of them, in General Court assembled as aforesaid; as also their removal, displacing, and filling up; and that the Offices of Apothecary,

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Steward, Matron, Cook, Sisters, and all other Officers, to be employed in and about the said intended Hospital and Charity, be referred to the election of the said intended Committee, and their Successors, and by them, and at their pleasure, to be altered, and the respective Officers to be removed, displaced, supplied, and filled up.

And my mind and will further is, that as soon as such intended Corporation can be obtained and take effect, my said Executors do forthwith pay, assign, transfer, and in due form of law convey and make over all the said residuary part of my Estate, herein before devised to them, or so much thereof as shall not have been applied and expended in and about the execution of this my Will, to and for the uses thereby directed and appointed, subject to the payment of the several annuities herein before devised to the said hereby intended Corporation and their Successors, upon the Trusts, and to be by them applied from time to time, to and for such uses, intentions,

tents, and purposes, as are, in and by this my Will, for that purpose directed and appointed.

And my mind and will further is, that the said President, Treasurer, Committee, and Governors intended to be incorporated, and when incorporated as aforesaid, do, as soon as the same can be done conveniently, lay out the surplus of the said residuary part of my personal Estate, or so much thereof as shall not be expended in building, furnishing, and fitting up the said two new Squares of Building, or other the necessary charges and disbursements for the purposes aforesaid, in the purchase of Messuages, Lands, Ground Rents, Fee-Farm Rents, or other estates of inheritance, or the reversions thereof in Fee Simple, to the intent that the yearly or other rents and profits of such purchases, together with the rents and profits of the said residuary part of my real Estate, be from time to time applied to, and become a perpetual provision for the maintenance and cure of such poor sick persons as are to be received into,

and entertained in the said intended Hospital, and for defraying and answering all other the constant necessary charges and expences in and about the same; and that until the said residuary part of my personal Estate shall be laid out in purchases, as aforesaid, the interest, dividends, and other incomes or profits thereof, be from time to time applied to such purposes as are before appointed for the application of the rents and profits of such purchases, as aforesaid.

And my mind and will further is, that if it shall appear to the said President, Treasurer, and Governors, to be incorporated as aforesaid, that the yearly, and other rents and profits of the said residuary part of my real Estate, and of the Lands, Messuages, or other Estates, to be purchased as aforesaid, shall be more than sufficient to provide for, and answer the maintenance and cure of such poor sick persons, as are hereby directed to be received into and entertained in the said two new squares of Building, and other necessary charges
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and expences upon or about the said intended Hospital, it shall be lawful for the said President, Treasurer, and Governors, incorporated as aforesaid, in General Court to be assembled and convened, as aforesaid, or the major part of them, to lay out, expend, and apply, or direct and empower the said Committee to lay out, expend, and apply such surplus of the rents and profits of the said residuary part of my real Estate, and of other the Messuages, Lands, and other Estates to be purchased, as aforesaid, to and for the relief of such other poor sick persons, or such other proper objects of compassion, as from time to time to the said President, Treasurer, and Governors incorporated, as aforesaid, shall appear most worthy and deserving of pity and relief; or for such other public and charitable uses and purposes, as they shall think convenient.

And I do hereby revoke, and annul, and declare to be null and void, all, and every other Will and Wills by me, at any time or times heretofore made, declaring this to be my only

last Will and Testament; in witness whereof, I have to the same contained in Seventeen Sheets of Paper, and to one other part thereof contained in Eleven Sheets of Paper, set my Hand and Seal, *viz.* my Hand at the bottom of the said several Sheets of Paper, and to the last of the said Seventeen and Eleven Sheets respectively my Hand and Seal, and my Seal to the place where the said Seventeen and Eleven Sheets are severally connected together, on this Fourth Day of *September, Anno Domini 1724*; and in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord *George*, over *Great Britain, &c.* King, Defender of the Faith, &c.

THOMAS GUY.

Sealed, published, and declared by the above-named Testator to be his Last Will and Testament, in the Presence of us, who witnessed the same in the said Testator's Presence,

John Oldfield,
William Pepys,

John Adlam,
Samuel Adlam.

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Probatum fuit hujusmodi Testamentum Thomæ Guy predict' quarto Die Mensis Januarii, Anno Domini Millesimo Septingentesimo Vicesimo Quarto, Jur'tis Caroli Joye Arm' Joh' Lade Arm' & Joh' Kenrick Arm' tribus Executor' in eod' Test' nominat' de bene & fidel' idem exequendo, coram Venerab' Viro Gul' Phipps, Surro' Venerab' & Egregii Viri Joh' Bettesworth, Legum Doct' Curiae Prærogat' Cantuar' Magistr' Custod' sive Commis' Jurat' & reservata Potestate similem com'nem faciendi Domino Gregor' Page Baronetto, Gul' Clayton Arm' Thomæ Hollis Seniori, Richardo Mead in Medicinis Doctori, Mosi Raper Arm' & Joh' Sprint, cæteris Executoribus in dicto Testamento nominatis, cum venerint, seu eorum aliquis venerit, & eandem petitur.

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ANNO REGNI
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Magna Britannia, Francia, & Hibernia,

UNDECIMO.

At the Parliament begun and holden at *Westminster*,
the Ninth Day of *October*, *Anno Domini* 1722, in
the Ninth Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign
Lord *GEORGE*, by the Grace of God, of *Great*
Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of
the Faith, &c.

And from thence continued by several Prorogations to
the Twelfth Day of *November* 1724, being the Third
Session of this present Parliament.



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GEORGII REGIS.

An Act for Incorporating the Executors of the Last Will and Testament of Thomas Guy, late of the City of London Esquire, deceased, and others, in order to the better Management and Disposition of the Charities given by his said Last Will.

WHEREAS *Thomas Guy*, late of the City of *London* Esquire, deceased, having in his Lifetime, at his own Costs and Charges, erected in the Parish of *St. Thomas* in *Southwark*, one new large Building, consisting

Preamble
reciting the
Last Will of
Thomas Guy
Esquire.

consisting of two Squares, with several other proper Edifices thereunto adjoining or belonging, did, on the twenty-seventh day of *December*, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and twenty-four, depart this life, having duly made and executed his last Will and Testament, bearing date the fourth day of *September* before the said day of his decease, and in and by his said last Will and Testament, did give, devise, and bequeath, all the rest and residue of his Estate, whatsoever and where-soever, both real and personal, after the payment of his debts, Legacies, and Funeral Charges therein mentioned, and subject to the payment of several annuities and yearly sums therein bequeathed (which said residuary part of the said Testator's Estate is computed by the Executors of his said Will, to be of the value of Two hundred thousand Pounds and upwards) unto Sir *Gregory Page* Baronet, *Charles Joye* and *William Clayton* Esquires, *Mr. Thomas Hollis* senior, *John Kenrick* and *John Lade* Esquires, *Doctor Richard Mead*, *Moses Raper* Esquire, and *Mr. John Sprint*,
Governors

Governors of the present Hospital of *St. Thomas*, their Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns respectively, upon the Trust, and for such uses, intents, and purposes, as are therein directed and appointed; and did thereby likewise ordain, constitute, and appoint the said Sir *Gregory Page* Baronet, *Charles Joye* and *William Clayton* Esquires, Mr. *Thomas Hollis* senior, *John Kenrick*, and *John Lade* Esquires, Doctor *Richard Mead*, *Moses Raper* Esquire, and Mr. *John Sprint*, Executors of his said Last Will, on Trust, as aforesaid; and did thereby declare his mind and will to be, that until such incorporation by Letters Patent, or Act of Parliament, as is therein directed, could be obtained and take effect, his said Executors, and therein last-mentioned Trustees, their Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, and afterwards such Corporation, should, out of the *Residuum* of his Estate, or the rents, interests, or other profits thereof, carry on, erect, finish, and fit up, the two new Squares of Buildings in *Southwark*, by him then some time since began, and intended for
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an Hospital for the reception of such sick persons, as are therein-after mentioned, and such other Erections, Offices, and Buildings, as should, in the opinion of his said Executors and Trustees, be for that purpose further necessary; and also provide and furnish the same with beds, and all other conveniencies for the reception of, and receive and entertain therein four hundred poor Persons, or upwards, labouring under any Distempers, Infirmities, or Disorders, thought capable of Relief by Physic or Surgery, but who by, reason of the small hopes there might be of their cure, or the length of time which for that purpose might be required or thought necessary, were, or might be adjudged or called Incurable, and as such, not proper objects to be received into or continued in the present Hospital of *St. Thomas*, or other Hospitals, in and by which no provision had been made for distempers deemed or called Incurable, (of whom he declares his mind to be, that they receive and entertain Lunatics, adjudged or called, as aforesaid, Incurable, not exceeding Twenty in Number at one Time),
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such poor persons to be chosen and appointed by his said Executors and Trustees, out of such Patients and Persons who shall be discharged out of the Hospital of *St. Thomas* or *Bethlehem*, or other Hospitals, on account of the small hopes of their cure, or the great length of time for that purpose required or thought necessary, and on such, or any other account, adjudged or called Incurable, and not fit to be continued in the said Hospital of *St. Thomas* or *Bethlehem*, or other Hospitals, or such other poor sick Persons or Lunatics, as under such, or the like circumstances, should apply to his said Executors and Trustees for relief, at the discretion and pleasure of his said Executors and Trustees, to whom he submits the several species or kinds of sick persons, deemed or called Incurable, who shall be admitted into the said intended Hospital; and has further thereby directed, that his said Executors and Trustees should provide suitable and proper Diet, Physic, and all other necessities for the maintenance, relief, or cure of such sick persons, during their lives, or for so long

long time as his said Executors and Trustees should think fit to continue them under their care, in the said intended Hospital; and hath thereby further declared his mind and will to be, that such poor sick persons, received into, and entertained in the said intended Hospital, should be subject at all times to his said Executors and Trustees, and to such rules and orders as they should think fit to make for their behaviour in the said intended Hospital, and liable to be expelled from thence, and removed, at the pleasure of his said Executors and Trustees, and other like sick persons admitted and entertained in their room; and thereby further declares his mind and will to be, that, if his said Executors and Trustees should not find cause, or should on any account whatsoever not think fit to keep all, or great part of the beds or wards in the said intended Hospital filled, and supplied with sick persons deemed or called Incurable, it should be lawful for them to cause any number of the said beds or wards to be filled and made use of in like manner, and with like patients, as the beds in the Hospital of *St. Thomas* are

are ordinarily used; for all which patients, so to be received and taken in from time to time into the said intended Hospital, as Incurable, or otherwise, he hath declared his mind to be, that his said Executors and Trustees should provide in all things, as near as might be, according to the course, customs, and usage of late years prevailing and practised in the said present Hospital of *St. Thomas*; and he hath thereby further declared his Mind and Will to be, and for the better and more regular disposition and management of the affairs and business of the said intended Hospital, and for perpetuating the Charity thereby intended, and the provision for the same, he hath thereby ordered and appointed, and earnestly desired and entreated his said Executors and Trustees, forthwith, after his decease, by humble application to His Majesty, or to the Legislature, to endeavour to obtain Letters Patent under the Great Seal, or an Act of Parliament, incorporating his said Executors and last named Trustees, together with Mr. *Benjamin Brain* senior, Mr. *Thomas Clarke*, *William Cole* Esquire, Doctor *Thomas Crow*,

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of *Cheapside*, (the said Gentlemen being then all Governors of the present Hospital of *St. Thomas*) or so many of the said Gentlemen as should be living at the time of procuring such intended Corporation, and willing to become members thereof, and so many other Gentlemen, Governors or reputed Governors of the present Hospital of *St. Thomas*, or others, by his said Executors, or the major part of them to be appointed, as, together with his said Executors, and other the Gentlemen above-named, shall make up the number of Fifty at the least, and not exceed Sixty, and their successors, in manner by such Letters Patent or Act of Parliament directed and expressed, to be from time to time elected and admitted members of such intended Corporation, into one distinct and separate Body Politic and Corporate, with perpetual succession, for the better managing and governing of the said intended Hospital, and for the better settling and applying the said residue of his Estate for such uses as aforesaid, and for such other and further uses, as are therein-after appointed, with a President and Treasurer, and

such other Officers of the said intended Corporation, as by his said Executors should be thought necessary or convenient in such Letters Patent or Act of Parliament to be named and appointed, and in manner therein directed, to be from time to time for ever thereafter successively into such respective Offices elected and admitted by such name or names, as to His Majesty or the Legislature should seem proper, and by such name or names to have perpetual succession, with power to have and use a separate and distinct Common Seal for the necessary affairs of the said intended Corporation, and with power, by such name or names as aforesaid, to have, hold, take, enjoy, alien, transfer, and dispose of the said thereby before devised residuary part of his Estate, and therewith or with any part thereof, to purchase, take, and enjoy Messuages, Lands, Tenements, Fee-Farm Rents, or other Estates of Inheritance, for Perpetuity or otherwise, and to the value of the said residuary part of his Estate, or to such farther or other yearly value, as to His said Majesty or the Legislature should seem convenient,

nient, and with power and capacity in Law to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, unto, by such name or names as aforesaid, in any Court or Courts of Record or elsewhere, and with such other powers, privileges, and capacities in Law, as to His Majesty or the Legislature should seem meet to be granted; and declared his mind and will to be, and further desired his said Executors and last-named Trustees, by such humble application as aforesaid, to His Majesty or the Legislature, to endeavour to obtain and procure, that by such Letters Patent or Act of Parliament, as aforesaid, a Committee be appointed of One-and-twenty of the Members of such intended Corporation, for the more constant and ordinary management and application of the said residuary part of his Estate, and of the Charity thereby intended; to which Committee or to such number of them as should be thought convenient, when convened and assembled, by and with the President and Treasurer of the said intended Corporation, or one of them, he hath declared his Will and Desire to be, that his said

Executors and Trustees, by such Letters Patent or Act of Parliament, as aforesaid, endeavour to have granted and appointed such powers, as may enable them in the most effectual manner to manage, settle, and apply the said residuary part of his Estate, and the Rents, Interest, Dividends, or other Profits or Produce thereof, to such uses, as by his said last Will are directed and appointed; and that by such Letters Patent or Act of Parliament it might be provided, that Seven of the said Committee of One-and-twenty, or One-third part thereof at the least, may yearly, and every year, go out of and be excluded their respective places, as members of the said Committee, by the appointment of a General Court or Assembly of the members of the said intended Corporation, to be assembled and convened by the President or Treasurer of such intended Corporation, yearly and every year, at a time or times in such Letters Patent or Act of Parliament to be appointed; and that for that purpose at such General Court or Assembly as aforesaid, Fourteen of the Members of the said Committee, for the year next preceding

preceding such General Court or Assembly, be first elected and chosen Members of the said Committee for the year then next ensuing, and Seven other persons out of Fourteen of the Members of the said intended Corporation, who were not Members of the said Committee for the year then next preceding, to be first nominated by the said Committee for the year next preceding, be by and at such General Court and Assembly, as aforesaid, elected and appointed Members of the said Committee, for the year then next ensuing such Election; and that in and by such Letters Patent or Act of Parliament it be further provided and appointed, that the management and accounts of the said Committee of One-and-twenty be, from time to time, subject to the approbation or disallowance of a General Court or Assembly of the Members or Governors of such intended Corporation, to be from time to time convened and summoned by proper and convenient notice, by the President or Treasurer of such intended Corporation for the Time being; and did further declare his mind, will, and desire

to be, that his Executors by like humble application, as aforesaid, should endeavour to procure and obtain, that, by such Letters Patent or Act of Parliament, as aforesaid, the said Sir *Gregory Page* Baronet be appointed the first President of the said intended Corporation, and the said *Charlès Joye* Esquire the first Treasurer thereof, and the said *William Clayton* Esquire, Mr. *Thomas Hollis* senior, *John Kenrick* and *John Lade* Esquires, Doctor *Richard Mead*, *Moses Raper* Esquire, and Mr. *John Sprint*, and the said Mr. *Benjamin Brain* senior, Mr. *Thomas Clarke*, *William Cole* Esquire, Doctor *Thomas Crow*, Doctor *Francis Fauquier*, Mr. *Joshua Gee*, Mr. *Matthew Howard*, Doctor *Edward Hulse*, Mr. *Samuel Lesingham*, Mr. *Henry Lovell*, Mr. *Samuel Monck*, Mr. *Joseph Paice*, Mr. *Daniel Powle*, and Mr. *Thomas Stiles*, be appointed the first Members of the said therein-before mentioned and intended Committee, for the more constant and ordinary management of the said residuary part of his Estate and Charity thereby intended; or in case of the death of any of the Gentlemen last above named, or their refusal to accept

accept of the respective Trusts thereby intended, as President, Treasurer, or Members of the said Committee, then such other fit and able persons to be named and appointed by his said Executors, to be President, Treasurer, and Members of the said Committee, making up the said Number of One-and-twenty; and that by such Letters Patent, or Act of Parliament, as aforesaid, it be provided and granted, that the future Elections of the President and Treasurer of the said intended Corporation, and also the Election of the Physicians and Surgeons, and of the Register, or Clerk, and Solicitor, and of the Chaplain to be employed in and about the Charity thereby intended, be referred to and reserved for the Members and Governors of the said intended Corporation, or the major part of them in General Court assembled as aforesaid, as also their removal, displacing, and filling up.; and that the Officers of the Apothecary, Steward, Matron, Cook, Sisters, and all other Officers to be employed in and about the said intended Hospital and Charity, be referred to the election of the said intended Committee and their successors,

sors, and by them, and at their pleasure to be altered, and the respective Officers to be removed, displaced, supplied, and filled up ; and he the said Testator hath hereby declared his mind and will further to be, that, as soon as such intended Corporation can be obtained and take effect, his said Executors do forthwith pay, assign, transfer, and, in due form of law, convey and make over all the said residuary part of his Estate therein before devised to them, or so much thereof as should not have been applied and expended in and about the execution of his said Will, to and for the uses thereby directed and appointed, subject to the payment of the several annuities therein before devised, to the said thereby intended Corporation and their Successors, upon the Trusts, and to be by them applied from time to time, to and for such uses, intents, and purposes, as are in his said Will for that purpose directed and appointed ; and has declared his Will further to be, that the said President, Treasurer, Committee, and Governors intended to be incorporated as aforesaid, do, as soon as the same can be done conveniently,

veniently, lay out the Surplus of the said residuary part of his personal Estate, or so much thereof as shall not be expended in building, furnishing, and fitting up the said two Squares of Building, or other the necessary charges and disbursements for such purposes, in the purchase of Messuages, Lands, Ground Rents, Fee Farm Rents, or other Estates of Inheritance, or the Reversions thereof in Fee Simple, to the intent that the yearly and other rents and profits of such purchases, together with the rents and profits of the said residuary part of his real Estate, be from time to time applied to, and become a perpetual provision for the maintenance and Cure of such poor sick Persons as are to be received into and entertained in the said intended Hospital, and for defraying and answering all other the constant necessary Charges and Expences in and about the same; and that, until the said residuary part of his personal Estate shall be laid out in purchases, as aforesaid, the interest, dividends, and other income or profits thereof, be from time to time applied to such purposes, as are before appointed

pointed for the application of the rents and profits of such purchases ; and he hath declared his mind and Will further to be, that, if it shall appear to the President, Treasurer, and Governors to be incorporated as aforesaid, that the yearly and other Rents and profits of the said residuary part of his real Estate, and of the lands, Messuages, or other Estates to be purchased as aforesaid, shall be more than sufficient to provide for and answer the maintenance and cure of such poor sick persons, as are thereby directed to be received into and entertained in the said two new Squares of Building, and other necessary charges and expences upon or about the said intended Hospital, it should be lawful for the said President, Treasurer, and Governors, incorporated as aforesaid, in General Court to be assembled and convened as aforesaid, or the major part of them, to lay out, expend, and apply, or direct and empower the said Committee to lay out, expend, and apply such surplus of the rents and profits of the said residuary part of his real Estate, and of other the Messuages, Lands, and other Estates to be purchased as aforesaid,

aforesaid, to and for the relief of such other poor sick persons, or such other proper objects of compassion, as, from time to time, to the said President, Treasurer, and Governors incorporated as aforesaid, should appear most worthy and deserving of pity and relief, or for such other public and charitable uses and purposes, as they should think convenient, as in and by the said last Will and Testament, relation being thereunto had, may more fully appear.

And whereas the said recited last Will and Testament of the said *Thomas Guy* deceased hath been since duly proved in the Prerogative Court of *Canterbury*, and the Administration thereof committed, on their application for that purpose, under the Seal of that Court, to the said above-named *Charles Joye*, *John Lade*, and *John Kenrick*, Esquires : And whereas the said Charity deserveth to be promoted and encouraged, and will greatly tend to the Honour and Good of the Public, and the good and generous intentions of the said Testator cannot be so well and fully effected as by an Act of Parliament ; and therefore, for the promoting,

promoting, establishing, making good and effectual the said pious and charitable intentions of the said above-named Testator, in his said last Will expressed; May it please Your most Excellent Majesty, at the humble Petition of Your Majesty's most dutiful Subjects, the said *Sir Gregory Page, Charles Joye, William Clayton, Thomas Hollis, John Kenrick, John Lade, Doctor Richard Mead, Moses Raper, and John Sprint*, Executors of the said above recited last Will and Testament of the said *Thomas Guy* deceased, that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, that the said above-named *Sir Gregory Page, Charles Joye, William Clayton, Thomas Hollis, John Kenrick, John Lade, Doctor Richard Mead, Moses Raper, and John Sprint*, together with the said *Benjamin Brain, Thomas Clarke, William Cole, Thomas Crow, John Francis Fauquier, Joshua Gee, Matthew Howard, Edward Hulse, Samuel Lesingham, Samuel Monck, and John*

Names of the
Governors
constituted in
pursuance of the
Last Will of
Thomas Guy
Esquire.

John Osborn Citizen and Stationer of London, and the said *Joseph Paice*, *Daniel Powle*, *Thomas Stiles*, *Robert Atwood*, *Robert Bristow*, *Jonathan Blackwell*, *James Brooke*, *Richard Chauncy*, *Richard Chiswell*, *John Carbonnel*, *Richard Du Cane*, *Sir Peter Eaton*, and *Sir Joseph Eyles* Knight, one of the present Sheriffs of the City of London, and the said *Sir Nathaniel Gould*, *Thomas Gearing*, *Nathaniel Garland*, *John Gunston*, *Edmund Halsey*, *Henry Hankey*, *Thomas Hucks*, *William King*, *James Lambe*, *James Lever*, *Percival Lewis*, *Daniel Lock*, *John London*, *Thomas Maylin*, *Nathaniel Micklethwaite*, *Samuel Mayo*, *Thomas Martin*, *Francis Moulton*, *Josiah Nicholson*, *Nathaniel Newnham*, and *John Olmius* of the Old Jury in London Esquire, and the said *Jeremiah Sambrooke*, *Samuel Sheafe*, *John Smith*, *Sir John Tash*, *Peter Theobalds*, and *James Townsend*, being the several persons for that purpose named in and by the said last Will and Testament of the said *Thomas Guy* deceased, who are now living, and willing to become Members of such Corporation, as is therein mentioned and intended, or
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otherwise, in pursuance of his said Will, by his said Executors or a major part of them for that purpose named, and their successors, in manner hereinafter directed and appointed to be elected and named Members or Governors of the same, shall be and are hereby declared and adjudged to be one Body Corporate and Politick, in Deed, and in Name, by the name of *The President and Governors of the Hospital founded at the sole Costs and Charges of Thomas Guy Esquire*; and that by the same name of the President and Governors of the Hospital aforesaid, they shall have perpetual Succession, and a Common Seal, with power to change, alter, break, and make new the same, when, and as often as they shall judge expedient; and that they and their successors, by the name aforesaid, shall be able and capable in law to have, hold, receive, enjoy, possess and retain to them, and their successors, all and every the Estate or Estates, real or personal, by the said *Thomas Guy* bequeathed or devised, and in them vested and settled, for the charitable ends and purposes mentioned in his said Will, and in this Act; and that they

To be a Body
Corporate,

by the Name
of, &c.

To have a
Common Seal;

and be enabled
to hold the Estate
of Thomas Guy
Esquire, for the
Use of his
Hospital.

they and their successors, by the name aforesaid, shall be able and capable in law, by, with, or out of the said real or personal Estate, or the produce thereof, to purchase, receive, have, hold, enjoy, possess, and retain to them, and their successors, in Perpetuity, or for any term or terms of years, or other Estate; Messuages, Lands, Tenements, Rents, and Hereditaments, of what kind, nature, or quality soever, not exceeding in the whole Twelve thousand Pounds *per Annum*, above reprises, and to sell, alien, or exchange, demise, or lease the same, or any part thereof, as they shall think convenient; and by the name aforesaid to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in any Court or Courts of Record, and elsewhere; and to do and execute all and singular other matters and things, that to them shall appertain to do or be done in and about the Premises, in pursuance of the said herein-before recited last Will and Testament of the said *Thomas Guy* deceased.

May sue and be sued.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that there be,
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There shall be one President and Treasurer, and 21 Committees,

from time to time, and for ever hereafter, one President, one Treasurer, and One-and-twenty Committees of the said hereby erected Corporation, who shall have the management and direction of the said Estate, by the said *Thomas Guy* devised or bequeathed, and hereby vested in the same Corporation, and all other the Estate, Revenues, and Affairs of the said hereby erected Corporation; and that the several persons herein-after named shall be, and they are hereby declared to be the President, Treasurer, and One-and-twenty Committees of the said hereby erected Corporation, being the several persons in and by the said last Will and Testament of the said *Thomas Guy* deceased, or by his said Executors above named, and in pursuance of his said Will, for that purpose named and appointed, viz. the said Sir *Gregory Page* Baronet to be the President, and the said *Charles Joye* Esquire the Treasurer, and the said *William Clayton, Thomas Hollis, John Kenrick, John Lade, Richard Mead, Moses Raper, John Sprint, Benjamin Brain, Thomas Clarke, William Cole, Thomas Crow, John Francis Fauquier,*
Joshua

The first President, Treasurer, and 21 Committees.

Joshua Gee, Matthew Howard, Edward Hulse, Samuel Lesingham, Samuel Monck, John Osborn, Joseph Paice, Daniel Powle, and Thomas Stiles, the One-and-twenty Committees.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that the said herein-before named, or hereafter to be elected President, Treasurer, and Committees, shall continue for the several times herein-after mentioned; (that is to say), The President and Treasurer above named, or hereafter to be elected, until the several times of their decease, or until they shall be removed respectively by a General Court, or Assembly of the Members or Governors of the said hereby erected Corporation, to be convened and assembled by the President, Treasurer, or any Seven of the said Committees, for the time being, by notice thereof, at the then usual places of abode of every of the Members or Governors of the said hereby erected Corporation for the time being, then residing within the Cities of *London* or *Westminster*, or the Borough of *Southwark*, or within five miles distance thereof, or until

The President and Treasurer to continue till their Deaths or Removal.

New ones to be
erected by a
General Court
within 40 Days.

they shall severally make their Election to resign ; and that in case of the death, removal, or resignation of the said herein above named President or Treasurer, or of any future President or Treasurer, to be at any time or times hereafter elected, so to be respectively at a General Court or Assembly of the said Corporation, to be convened or assembled by the said President or Treasurer, or any Seven of the said Committees for the time being, by such notice as aforesaid, some other fit and able person, being a Member of the said Corporation, shall be, within Forty Days next after such death, removal, or resignation, elected and chosen to be President and Treasurer of the said hereby erected Corporation, in the room of the President or Treasurer so deceased or removed, or who shall have made his Election to resign as aforesaid ; and the person, who shall be so elected shall be the President or Treasurer accordingly ; and that the said several Persons, Committees, above named, shall continue and remain so to be, until the second day of *November* now next ensuing, and from thenceforth for the space of one year

The Committees
above named to
continue till
Nov. 2d next,
and for a Year
after.

year then next following, and until the said second day of *November* in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and twenty-six; on which said last mentioned second day of *November*, and so on the second day of *November* in every year, yearly for ever thereafter, or within fourteen days next after, by a General Court of Assembly to be then convened and summoned by the President or Treasurer, or any three of the Committees aforesaid for the time being, by such notice as aforesaid, One-and-twenty Members or Governors of the said hereby erected Corporation, of whom Seven, or one Third part at the least, shall not have been Committees for the year then next preceding, shall be appointed and chosen Committees for the year then next following, who, after such Election, shall continue and remain such, until the next General Court or Assembly, to be annually held for the Election of Committees, as aforesaid.

Committees to be chosen annually, whereof Seven to be new ones.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the President or Treasurer, or either of them, with any Seven, or more of the said

The Powers of the Court of Committees.

Committees for the time being, when convened and assembled for that purpose, by proper and convenient notice thereof, given by the said President or Treasurer for the time being to every of the said Committees then residing in the Cities of *London* or *Westminster*, or the Borough of *Southwark*, or within five Miles distance thereof, shall make a full Court of Committees, and shall be called *A Court of Committees*, and shall have full power when convened and assembled, as aforesaid, in the name of the said President and Governors of the Hospital aforesaid, and on their account, to sell, alien, demise, lend out, or otherwise dispose of, all and every or any part of the Estate of the said *Thomas Guy* deceased, devised, or bequeathed, and hereby vested in the said Corporation, and all other the Monies and Estates of or belonging to the said President and Governors hereby incorporated; and therewith, or with any part thereof, to purchase any Lands, Messuages, Tenements, or other Estates whatsoever, not exceeding, in the yearly value thereof, the said afore mentioned sum of twelve thousand Pounds
above

above reprises, for the use of the said Corporation and their successors, and with and under their Common Seal to enter into any Covenants or Contracts for the purposes aforesaid, as they shall think fit, for the better effecting and carrying on such good and charitable purposes, as are herein mentioned and intended, and to appoint and choose, and at their pleasure to remove, displace, and supply such Officers, Servants, and other Person or Persons to be employed for the purposes herein mentioned and intended, or other the affairs of the said Corporation (other than and except such Officers or Persons as are herein-after directed to be appointed and chosen at a General Court or Assembly of the said hereby erected Corporation), and to appoint and determine such Salaries, Perquisites, or other Rewards for their labour or service therein, as they shall approve of, and think fit, and to take in such poor, sick, maimed, or wounded persons under their care, as they shall judge proper objects of the Charity hereby intended, and to make such provisions for their main-

tenance and cure as they shall think necessary and convenient, and to do, manage, transact, and determine all such other matters and things, as shall to them appear necessary or convenient for the effecting or carrying on the purposes hereby intended; and, for the necessary dispatch of any the affairs aforesaid, to depute and appoint any person or persons, members or Governors of the said hereby erected Corporation, for the management or transaction thereof in their place and stead: provided nevertheless, that the management, transactions, and accounts of the said President, Treasurer, and Committees, and all and every other person or persons by them to be appointed or deputed as aforesaid, be, from time to time, and at all times hereafter, subject and liable to such audit and inspection, allowance, disallowance, and controul, of all or such of the Members or Governors of the said hereby erected Corporation, as by any Bye-Laws, or Ordinances of the same Corporation, shall be for that purpose constituted and appointed.

Provided

Provided also, and be it further enacted and declared, that if any Sale or Sales shall at any time hereafter be made by the said Corporation, or their successors, of all or any the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments hereafter to be purchased by them in pursuance of this Act, then and in every or any such case, all the money arising by any such sale or sales shall, with all convenient speed, be reinvested or laid out in some other purchase of Lands or Tenements of inheritance, for the use of the said Corporation and their successors for ever, for the charitable purposes aforesaid.

If any Sale of Lands, &c. be made by the Corporation, the Money to be laid out in some other Purchase.

And, to the intent that there never may be wanting a competent number of Members or Governors of the said hereby erected Corporation, for perpetuating the succession thereof, and for supplying and filling up the several places of President, Treasurer, and Committees above mentioned; be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that it shall and may be lawful for a full Court, or Court of Committees of the said hereby erected Corporation,

A Court of Committees may elect new Governors.

ration, in such manner as is herein before mentioned, to be convened and held, from time to time, and as often as they shall think convenient, to elect and choose some other fit and able person or persons, to be a Member or Governor, or Members or Governors of the said hereby erected Corporation, in the room and place of such of the persons above named, or to be, from time to time, elected Members or Governors, as aforesaid, who shall happen to depart this life, or shall refuse to accept of or continue and remain to be a Member or Governor as aforesaid, so as the number of all the Members or Governors of the said hereby erected Corporation (such new elected Members, and the President, Treasurer, and Committees for the Time being, therein being included) do never, at any one time, exceed Sixty; and that in case at any time or times hereafter, and as often as it shall happen that the number of all the Members or Governors aforesaid (the President, Treasurer, and Committees for the Time being, always being included) shall not amount to Forty Persons, it shall be lawful for the Lord High Chan-

If the Governors at any Time shall not amount to 40, the Lord Chancellor, &c. to nominate fit Persons to make up the Number to 50.

Chancellor of *Great Britain*, or Lord Keeper of the Great Seal, or Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal, the Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench, the Lord Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, the Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer, for the Time being, or any Two of them, at the request of any Five or more of the Members or Governors of the said Corporation, to nominate and appoint such and so many fit and able persons, to be Members or Governors, as shall, together with other the Members or Governors aforesaid, make up such number Fifty ; which said persons, to be so nominated and appointed as aforesaid, shall, from and immediately after such Nomination and Appointment, and notice thereof given to the Clerk or Register of the said hereby erected Corporation for the Time being, be adjudged and deemed Members and Governors of the said hereby erected Corporation, and as such admitted to vote and act as fully and effectually, to all intents and purposes, as if they had been thereunto elected and chosen in manner as aforesaid.

And

A General
Court may make
Bye-Laws.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that it shall and may be lawful for the said President and Governors, in a General Court to be assembled and convened in such manner and by such notice as aforesaid, to make, ordain, and constitute such and so many reasonable Bye-Laws, Constitutions, and Ordinances, as to them, or the greater part of them then and there present, shall seem necessary and convenient, for the better Government of the said hereby erected Corporation, and of the Officers, Servants, and Persons, by them, and in and about their affairs to be employed, and of the sick Persons or Patients to be taken in under their care; and the same Bye-Laws, Orders, Ordinances, and Constitutions so made, to put in use accordingly, and at their will and pleasure to revoke, change, and alter the same; which said Bye-Laws, Orders, and Ordinances so as aforesaid made, shall be duly kept and observed, so always as the said Constitutions, Bye-Laws, Orders, and Ordinances be reasonable, and not contrary or repugnant to the Statutes or Customs of this Kingdom,

or

or any of the express regulations contained in this Act.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that at all and every of the General Courts or Assemblies of the said President and Governors, and at the several full Courts, or Courts of Committees herein before appointed to be from time to time hereafter convened and held, as aforesaid, the said President and Treasurer for the Time being, shall have Voices, and shall vote and act as Members of such General Courts, or Courts of Committees ; and, in case of an Equality of Votes, the said President for the Time being, and, in his absence, the said Treasurer shall have and exercise a casting Voice.

President or
Treasurer to
have Voices at
Courts, and in
case of Equality,
a casting Voice.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, in pursuance of the said last Will and Testament of the said *Thomas Guy* deceased, that the several person and persons to be employed as Physician, Chaplain, Surgeons, and as Register or Clerk of or belonging to the said hereby erected Corporation, shall be, from time to time,

Physicians, &c.
to be chosen by a
General Court.

time, appointed and chosen into such their respective stations or employments by the said President and Governors, in a General Court to be convened and assembled by such notice, and in such manner, as aforesaid; and by the said President and Governors in such General Court, as aforesaid, to be assembled at their will and pleasure, shall and may be displaced and removed from their respective stations and employments, and other fit and able persons thereunto appointed and chosen in their room.

All his Estate
Real and Personal vested in
the President
and Governors.

And in pursuance of the design, and more effectually to answer and fulfil the true intent and meaning of the said recited last Will and Testament, be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that all such Estate and Estates, both real and personal, Rights of Action or Entry, and other Rights, Titles, Trusts, Powers and Authorities, Claims and Demands whatsoever, to them the said Sir *Gregory Page, Charles Joye, William Clayton, Thomas Hollis, John Kenrick, John Lade, Richard Mead, Moses Raper, and John Sprint*, by the said Will devised, given, or appointed,

appointed, or in them, or any of them, any ways vested by virtue of the said Will, as Executors and Trustees or Devisees therein named, or of the Probate thereof by the said *Charles Joye, John Kenrick, and John Lade*, out of the Prerogative Court of *Canterbury* obtained, as aforesaid, except such part of the said Testator's Estate as hath been before or at the time of the passing of this Act by the said Executors, or any of them, expended or paid in discharge of any Debts or Legacies, or in discharge of the said Funeral Expences of the said *Thomas Guy* the Testator, or in defraying the charges of preparing and procuring this present Act, or any other charge by them or any of them sustained, by reason of the Trusts in them reposed by the said recited Will, are and shall be, by virtue of this present Act, from the time of passing thereof, fully and absolutely vested and settled in the said President and Governors hereby incorporated, and their Successors for ever, to and for such pious and charitable uses, as are hereby or by the said recited Will directed and appointed, subject nevertheless, and liable to the
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payment of such Debts, Legacies, and yearly and other sums, in such Manner and form, and at such times, as is and are in and by the said recited Will bequeathed, given, or directed, or such thereof, as at the time of passing this Act hath or have not been paid or discharged by the said above-mentioned Executors and Trustees, or any of them.

The Terms and other Securities vested in John Lade, &c. still to subsist in Trust for the Corporation.

Provided always, and it is hereby further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that the several terms and other securities heretofore assigned to, and vested or intended so to be in the said *John Lade*, or any others in Trust for the said *Thomas Guy* the Testator, and to protect his Real Estate, or any other Estate, or any part thereof, from Mesne Incumbrances, or to wait and attend upon the inheritance thereof, shall still separately subsist, remain, and continue in the said *John Lade*, or such others his or their Executors, Administrators and Assigns, in Trust nevertheless for the said Corporation hereby created, and their successors, to the same intents and purposes as aforesaid; any thing in the said recited

Will

Will or this present Act to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that the above named Executors and Trustees of the said *Thomas Guy* the Testator, who have possessed any part of his Estate since his Decease, shall forthwith, or as soon as conveniently may be, state their accounts in Writing, of what they or any of them have possessed and paid, expended or disposed of, out of the said Testator's Estate, so to them given and bequeathed, as aforesaid, in pursuance of the Trust reposed in them by the said recited Will, and produce and lay such accounts before a full Court, or Court of Committees of the Corporation hereby erected, who are hereby required and directed to audit and inspect the same; and that upon the passing and allowance of the said accounts, so stated and produced as aforesaid, by a full Court, or Court of Committees, they the said Executors and Trustees and every of them, their and every of their Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, shall be fully and absolutely discharged from

Executors to state their Accounts, and lay them before a Court of Committees, &c.

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the several Trusts in them reposed as aforesaid, and of and from all Actions, Accounts, Complaints, Inquiries and Demands whatsoever, for or on account of the Trusts aforesaid, as Executors or Trustees appointed by the said Will of the said *Thomas Guy*, or otherwise howsoever, other than as Members of the said hereby erected Corporation.

President and
Governors may
set up a Monu-
ment, &c. for
Thomas Guy
Esquire.


And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that it shall and may be lawful for the said President and Governors, so incorporated as aforesaid, to procure, set up, and erect such Portrait or Picture, and such Statue or Statues, and Monument, of or for the said *Thomas Guy* the Testator, for perpetuating the Memory of his said generous and charitable Actions and Intentions, in such manner, and in such place or places, as they shall think fit, and to defray the expences thereof out of the Estate in them by this present Act vested, so as such expences do not exceed in the whole the Sum of two thousand Pounds.

And

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that this Act shall be deemed and taken to be a Public Act, and Notice shall be taken thereof as such, in all Courts of Justice, and elsewhere, and shall and may be given in evidence on the Trial or Hearing of any Issue or Cause whatsoever, without special Pleading of the same.

Saving always to the King's most Excellent Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and all and every other Person and Persons, Bodies Politic and Corporate, and to their several Heirs, Successors, Executors, and Assigns, (other than and except the Executors and Administrators of the said *Thomas Guy* the Testator, as such, and as Trustees and Devisees under the said Will) all such Right, Title, Estate, Interest, Power and Powers of Redemption, Claim and Demand in Law or Equity, as he, she, or they, or any of them, have, hath, or shall, or may have of, in, to, or out of the Premises, or any part thereof, as if this present Act had never been made.

*The By-Laws, Constitutions
and Ordinances, for the Manage-
ment and better Government of
the Affairs of the Corporation,
of the President and Governors
of the Hospital, founded at
the sole Costs and Charges of
Thomas Guy, Esq;*

I.  H A T the Custody of the Seal of this Corporation, be always in the President or Treasurer for the time being, and two such Members of the Court of Committees for the time being, as that Court shall from time to time for that purpose, nominate and appoint; and that the Seal be kept in an Iron Chest under three different Locks, to each of which there shall be one Key only; and each of them the said President or Treasurer, and the said two Members of the Court of Committees, shall have one of the said Keys.

II. That the Election of a President, Treasurer, and Members of Courts of Committees of this Corporation, be from this time constantly by Ballott.

III. That

III. That upon the annual election of Committees, each Member or Governor of this Corporation then present, shall give in the Names of twenty-one Members or Governors, whereof seven at the least, shall not have been Members of the Court of Committees for the Year then next preceding: And if any List shall not contain twenty-one such Names, or shall contain more than twenty-one such Names, then such List shall not be accounted or taken as a List or Vote for such Election.

IV. That all future elections of Officers of this House by the General-Court, and all nominations of Clerks to Livings, where there are two or more Candidates, be by one General Ballot; and that such Candidate as has the majority on such Ballot, be declared duly elected; and that all Questions relating to such election be likewise determined by Ballot, if desired by any one Governor.

V. That no Lands, or other real Estate, either of Inheritance or for Lives, or any terms of Years, which have been or shall be hereafter purchased by, or come to this Corporation, shall be sold, aliened, or exchanged,
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without the Consent of a General-Court first had and obtained for such Sale, Alienation, or Exchange; but this Restraining is not to extend to Leases at Will, nor to any Leases that shall be made for any term of Years not exceeding Sixty-one Years, to be computed from the time of making thereof; nor to Leases for Lives, or any number of years determinable on Lives, as to such Estates, which have been or shall be so leased before the Purchase thereof by this Corporation; nor to exchanges of any Lands for Lands of other Persons lying intermixed with the Estates of this Corporation.

VI. That there shall be at all times hereafter, four standing Auditors, to be chosen and appointed by a General Court, for the examining and stating the Accounts of this Corporation, and four others annually added to them; which four additional Auditors shall be chosen by Ballot, at and by the annual General Court, to be holden according to the Act of Parliament erecting this Corporation, for the choice of Members of the Court of Committees; and that two, at the least, of such additional Auditors, shall be Members
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of the Court of Committees for the current Year.

VII. That the General Audit shall be yearly, on the twenty-fifth Day of *March*, or within thirty Days after.

VIII. That the Committees for taking Patients into this Hospital, and for buying and examining the Provisions for the House, shall once in every four Months, visit the several Wards and Lunatick House, part of, or belonging to the Hospital, and view the several Patients therein; and the Physicians, Surgeons, Steward, Apothecary, and Matron, shall attend the said Committee on such Visitations; and the said Committee shall at such times, at their discretion, give directions to the Steward, to remove and discharge all such Patients as they shall find to be cured; and also all such Patients (Lunaticks only excepted) as are found not to be capable of relief by Physick or Surgery, according to the Intent and Meaning of the last Will of *Thomas Guy, Esq;* sole Founder of this Hospital; which said Orders the Steward for the Time being shall obey, and remove and discharge such Patients, according to the directions of such Committee.

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Prefixed to a Copy of the last Will and Testament
of THOMAS GUY, Esq., Published by the
GOVERNORS of GUY'S HOSPITAL, A.D. 1732.

The Governors of Mr. Guy's Hospital having been censured as acting contrary to the intention of the Founder, by discharging persons from the benefit of his Charity, because they were incurable; they think it necessary to justify themselves: and to this end they have re-printed his Will, which alone might be sufficient to remove this mistake, his intention being therein very plainly expressed and declared.

He himself apprehended, and his suspicions were confirmed by those he consulted, that the word Incurable, was of too large and indefinite a signification.

And, indeed, people generally understood by it, such as laboured under distempers, loss of limbs, blindness, and other natural or accidental deformities and even age itself. And if taken in such an extensive sense, his Hospital must soon have become an Almshouse, into which (to use his own words) Parishes as well as particular persons, would shift

off from themselves the burden of their dependents and indigent relations, to be provided for during their lives; which he foresaw, and often spoke of with great concern to several of his executors and other persons yet living, and accordingly has described the persons for whose relief he designed his Hospital, to such as are *thought capable of relief by Phyfic or Surgery, and has submitted the several species or kinds of sick persons deemed or called Incurables, and also the time of continuing them in his Hospital to the Discretion and Pleasure of his Trustees.

Besides this mistake about the conduct of the Trustees, there have been attempts to defame the Memory of the Worthy and Charitable Founder himself, as doing no good in his life-time, but heaping up a great Estate with an ostentatious design of founding an Hospital at his death. Facts best answer such invidious suggestions.

Many of his poor though distant relations, had stated allowances from him of Ten or Twenty Pounds a year, and occasionally larger sums, to two of them he gave Five Hundred Pounds apiece to advance them in the world.

He has several times given Fifty Pounds for discharging insolvent Debtors. He has readily given a Hundred Pounds at a time on application to him on behalf of a distressed Family.

These are some of his good deeds which are come to light since his death, from which every one must be convinced that his private acts of charity were many and great; and from their secrecy that they flowed from a right principle.

Some of his more public benefactions were as follows:—

Early in life he began the erection of an Almsbouse at Tamworth, for fourteen poor people, and maintained them to the time of his death, and then endowed it for ever.

He contributed One Hundred Pounds in the year 1709, to the Brief for the poor Palatines, and the like sum to St. Thomas's Hospital on account of the admission of a great many of those among them who were sick and disabled.

When he met with such diseased and friendless objects as wanted the help of an Hospital, he used to send them to St. Thomas's with directions to the Steward to supply them at his expence with cloaths and such other necessaries as are not provided by the Hospital.

Sixteen years before his death he built and furnished Three Wards in St. Thomas's Hospital for the reception of Sixty-four Patients. He re-built two large houses at the front of it, and adorned the entrance between them, which together cost him between Two and Three Thousand Pounds.

He gave One Hundred Pounds a year to that Hospital for eleven years successively, till he began to build his own, which he lived to see almost finished, and cost him about Fourteen Thousand Pounds.

From these instances, it is easy to judge, on which side Charity has been wanting.

